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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

PLATING APPARATUS AND METHOD

the specification of which:

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on , and identified as Attorney Docket No. ACMR-001/01US.

☐ was filed on , as Application Serial No. .

and

☐ the amendment(s) of which were filed on .

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application(s) (Country) (Number) (Day/Month/Year Filed)

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

60/074,466  
(Application Number)

February 12, 1998  
(Filing Date)

60/094,215  
(Application Number)

July 27, 1998  
(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>Appl. Ser. No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status (Pat'd./Pend./Aband.)</u>
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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In re application of Hui WANG

Serial No.: Unassigned

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For: PLATING APPARATUS AND METHOD

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AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b)

As the assignee of record of the entire right, title, and interest in the above-identified application, all powers are hereby revoked and the registered practitioners of Cooley Godward LLP provided below are hereby granted Power to prosecute this application and any applications claiming priority to this application, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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The assignee certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief it is the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the above-identified application as evidenced by:

- ☐ An assignment document, a copy of which is enclosed herewith;
- ☒ An assignment previously recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 9724, Frame 0086.

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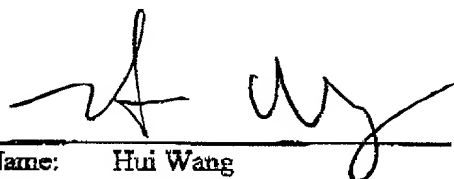
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Title: President  
Company: ACM Research, Inc.

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
37 CFR SECTIONS 1.9(f) & 1.27(c) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I hereby declare that I am:

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:  
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

Name of Small Business Concern: ACM Research, Inc.

Address of Small Business Concern: 43236 Christy Street, Fremont, California 94538

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under 35, United States Code 41(a) and (b), in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention identified above and described in

- ☒ the specification filed herewith  
☐ the application identified above  
☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

\*NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

Name:

Address:

☐ Individual ☐ Small Business Concern ☐ Nonprofit Organization

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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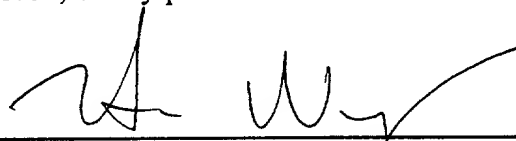
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